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In re Application of  
Kimball *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/055,523

Filed: January 23, 2002

For: Dual Feedback Linear Amplifier

Attorney's Docket No: 4740-039

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**REVISED PETITION FOR PRIORITY CLAIM BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.78 (a)(3)**

Patentee hereby resubmits a revised petition pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 for priority claim benefit in the instant application. The earlier-filed priority petition was dismissed by the Office for failing to include the application serial number of one of the patents in the priority claim—see the attached copy of the Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), dated Nov. 1, 2005. This revised petition corrects that error and includes the following items:

1. The reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 120 and paragraph (a)(2) of 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, attached herewith as a Revised Amendment to Correct Priority Claim;
2. A copy of the check that was previously submitted for payment of surcharge; and
3. The statement regarding unintentional delay as required under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, which appears below.

The originally filed application included the required "Related Applications" section and claimed priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 from U.S. Patent No. 6,300,826 B1 through the then co-pending patent application Serial No. 09/911,105, which was a continuation of the 6,300,826 patent. The originally filed Related Applications paragraph from the instant application as filed appears below for reference:

[0001] This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 from the co-pending application Serial No. 09/911,105, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Efficiently Amplifying Wideband Envelope Signals," filed on July 23, 2001, and which is a continuation of the now-issued and identically titled U.S. Patent No. 6,300,826 B1, and from which priority also is claimed.

As apparent from the above paragraph, Applicant failed to identify explicitly the relationship between the instant application and the priority references. That is, Applicant failed to state that the instant application was a continuation-in-part of a specifically identified priority reference. It is believed that failure accounts for the Patent Office's omission of any priority claim from the filing receipt received for the instant application.

Unfortunately, that omission was not timely noticed by Applicant and a petition was filed by Applicant on August 22, 2005 to correct the priority claim. That petition was dismissed for failure to include all required information in the priority claim. Thus, Applicant requests that the intended priority claim benefit be granted for the instant application according to this revised petition. Applicant asserts that the entire delay between the date the priority claim was due under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of Section 1.78 of 37 C.F.R. and the filing date of the earlier-filed petition was unintentional, and further asserts that the earlier-filed petition was a bona fide attempt to perfect the priority claim.

Of course, if any additional showing is required, or if there are any questions regarding this petition, please call the undersigned attorney at (919) 854-1844.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REVISED AMENDMENT TO CORRECT PRIORITY CLAIM**

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice of Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), mailed by the Patent Office on Nov. 1, 2005. Specifically, that Decision dismissed Applicant's earlier-filed (Aug. 22) priority claim petition because it failed to include all information required in the priority claim. Thus, with the prior payment of the required petition fee in conjunction with earlier-filed petition, Applicant believes that no further payments are due with this revised submission. However, if additional fees are required for acceptance of this revised petition, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account 18-1167.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

In the "Related Applications" section of the instant application, please replace the first paragraph ([0001]) with the following paragraph, and please note that the below changes reflect revision markings relative to the original application, not the amendment submitted with the previously dismissed petition:

[0001] This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 ~~from~~ as a continuation-in-  
part of the co-pending application-U.S. Application Serial No. 09/911,105, entitled  
"Apparatus and Method for Efficiently Amplifying Wideband Envelope Signals," filed on  
July 23, 2001, now U.S. Patent 6,583,664 B2, which is a continuation of the identically  
titled U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/566,194, filed on May 5, 2000, now and  
~~which is a continuation of the now-issued and identically titled U.S. Patent No. 6,300,826~~  
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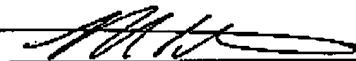
**REMARKS**

As Applicant noted, this amendment accompanies the revised petition for benefit of priority claim, and provides corrected priority claim text. Specifically, the corrected priority claim identifies the relationship between the instant application and the related applications, includes all application serial numbers related to the priority claim, and is presented in a one-sentence format.

Respectfully submitted,

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: DECISION ON PETITION  
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3)  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), filed August 22, 2005, to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. §120 for the benefit of the prior-filed nonprovisional application set forth in the concurrently filed amendment.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

A petition for acceptance of a claim for late priority under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) is only applicable to those applications filed on or after November 29, 2000. Further, the petition is appropriate only after the expiration of the period specified in 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii). In addition, the petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) must be accompanied by:

- (1) the reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(i) of the prior-filed application, unless previously submitted;
- (2) the surcharge set forth in § 1.17(t); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional.

The petition does not comply with item (1)

37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(i) requires that any nonprovisional application claiming the benefit of one or more prior-filed copending nonprovisional applications must contain or be amended to contain a reference to each such prior-filed application, identifying it by application number (consisting of the series code and serial number) and indicating the relationship of the applications. The relationship between the applications is whether the subject application is a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of a prior-filed nonprovisional application. An example of a proper benefit claim is: "This application is a continuation of Application No. 10/---, filed---." A benefit claim that merely states: "This application claims the benefit of Application No. 10/---,



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filed---," does not comply with 37 CFR 1.72(a)(2)(i) since the proper relationship, which includes the type of continuing application, is not stated. Also, the status of each nonprovisional parent application (if it is patented or abandoned) should also be indicated, following the filing date of the parent nonprovisional application. See MPEP Section 201.11, Rev. 2, May 2004, Reference to Prior Application. The amendment filed August 22, 2005 fails to identify one of the prior-filed applications by application number (consisting of the series code and serial number) and further fails to set forth the entire priority claim in the first sentence of the specification.

Before the petition under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(3) can be granted, a renewed petition under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(3) and a substitute amendment or an Application Data Sheet (complying with 37 CFR 1.121 and 37 CFR 1.76(b)(5)) which state the relationship of the prior-filed application to this application and identify the prior-filed applications by application number are required.

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